

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

5 In re Application of: Than Nguyen et al. ) Group Art Unit: Unknown  
Application No.: Unknown )  
10 Filing Date: Herewith ) Examiner: Unknown  
For: METHODS OF MAKING BIOPROSTHETIC HEART )  
VALVES WITH STRAIN MATCHED LEAFLETS )

## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

20 MAIL STOP PATENT APPLICATION  
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Dear Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-referenced application, please note the following changes that have been made to the parent specification Serial No. 10/140,085:

30 Amendments made to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.  
Amendments made to the Claims begin on page 3 of this paper.  
Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper.  
No new matter has been added by way of these amendments.